# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
# LOK SABHA

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EXPORT OF ONION
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) the quantity of onion exported during each of the last three years;

(b) the foreign exchange earned on export of onion during the above period;

(c) whether the Government propose to boost export of onion in future also;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken in this direction?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY )

(a)& ( b): The quantity and value of onions exported during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000- 2001 are as follows:

| Year | Value (Rs. Crores) | Qty. (M.Tons) |
|---|---|---|
| 1998-99 | 176.05 | 2,15,694 |
| 1999-2000 | 202.70 | 2,60,475 |
| 2000-2001 | 276.22 | 3,43,254 |

Source : DGCI&S, Kolkata

(c) to ( e) : Export of all varieties of onions except Krishnapuram and Bangalore Roseonion are subject to quantitative ceilings and canalized through specified agencies. There are, however, no quantitative restrictions on the export of Krishnapuram and Bangalore Rose onion. The actual quantity of onion to be released for export is decided by an Inter Ministerial Committee from time to time taking into consideration the stock position, market arrivals, crop situation, domestic requirements and domestic and international price.